IN REASSURES U. S. OF SAFETY WENEN MOTERNY

National Executive Board in Session Here Lays Plans Lines of Betterment For peared. Workers.

Improved Sanitary Conditions is One Aim of National Conference Which Will Terminate Here To-

All New England and especially Connecticut will be included in a campaign that was launched today by the general executive board of the Metal Polishers', Buffers', Platers', Brass and Silver Workers' Union of North America, when it met in executive session at the Arcade hotel.

Discouragement of further employment of women in the metal polishing trade, improvement of sanitary conditions in all factories where metal polishers are employed, for the purpose of lowering the death ent from the fact that of the factorrate, and the equalization of les polled, all but one of the 38 that competition by urging the eight for the change. hour day in 10 hour factories that are competing with firms that have the shorter schedule, are the aims of the organization for the year starting this months.

The 1915 session of the international officers will come to an end to-morrow and the officers will scatter to various parts of New England for the purpose of propagating the work. At the session today were President W. W. Britton of Chicago; General Secretary Charles R. Atherton of Cincinnati, and Vice-Presidents Geo. Leary, of Newark; John J. Flynn of Brooklyn, John E. Fitzgerald of Trenton, James Dear of Detroit and Edward Lieberman of St. Louis.

While the metal polishers' union, which has an organization of between 20,000 and 30,000 members has been advocating the improvement of sani-tary conditions for 30 years, it is only within the last five years that factory owners were educated to the ne-cessity of it. Now attention will be concentrated on New England.

The campaign for the equalization of

working hours is prompted by a spirit of justice. Having obtained the eight hour day in many factories, the officials of the union feel that to place competition on an even basis, the eight hour day should be established in the 10 hour factories, if the efforts of the (Continued on Page 1) *

CENTRAL LABOR UNION WILL ACT IN ARBITRATION

Bridgeport's Central Labor Union, through its organizing committee and John J. O'Nelll, state organizer for the A. F. of L. will lend its efforts to bring an instant adjustment of differences in factories where strikes still

At the meeting of the central body last night, the local strike situation was discussed at length. As most of the national organizers have left Brdigeport for other cities in the state and will be here only infrequently, it aws decided to authorize the organizcommittee to co-operate with the strikers' committees in trying to settle existing differences and to further or-

ganization work. State Organizer O'Neill, as chairman ers' committees will be represented.
Organizer Phillip Guest of Boston, representing the Amalgamated Meat office to tell him about it, and he didn't the anatomy which includes the wrist, cludes 27 bones, eight carpal, five metnounced that he will begin organization work among the trade here. The sausage makers here, he reported, are already well organized and may pre- tor Morehouse was puffing a bit, but sent grievances to employers soon. It was voted to petition the Prestand Congress to authorize the free distribution of 500,000 copies of the Walsh committees industrial report

ch was published recently. Following the meeting of last night, a large delegation of members attend-

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lowly rising temperatures, Moder-te southwest and west winds.

HOVERING OVER LORDSHIP PARK

A bird that is believed to be an cagle by many persons, and an imense hawk by others, has been proying on chickens, song birds and even rabbits in and about Lordship park. According to Merle Cowles, super-intendent of the grounds, the bird has been in the neighborhood for two months and all the song birds have been driven away or killed. Chickens For Work Along Broad are rapidly being eliminated by the Several rabbits have disap-

> Feathers and remnants of rabbits have been found to bear evidence to the belief that some big bird is preying on the smaller live things in that neighborhood. If the dep-Striker Said to Have Foreredations continue a trap will be set

MANUFACTURERS DESIRE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT

Thirty-Seven Out of 38 W10 Express Preference Want Commission Plan.

The Manufacturers' association is the latest organization to lend its efforts to the concerted movement here towards effecting a change from the present form of municipal government to that of government by com-

That the manufacturers are strongented to express an opinion spoke This statement was issued by the

anufacturers' association today: The Manufacturers' Association, realizing the importance to the manufacturers and the people in general of any proposed change from our present form of city government, recently canvassed its members for the purpose of receiving an informal expression of opinion from them regarding views upon the proposal to have the city adopt a com-

mission form of government. Owing to the fact that our bership is made up entirely of manufacturing industries and not individuals, a number of our members did not desire to commit their companies upon this subject. Of the 38 companies that did express their views, however, 37 favored the commission plan and

While it is not the intention of this association to take any formal action upon this matter, the above information is given out for the purpose of informing the public as to the attitude of a onsiderable number of manufacturers upon this important

MOREHOUSE-PECK HOSTILITIES ARE AT SUMMER HEAT

Morehouse Won't Speak to Peck-Judge Says He's a - Well, Read it.

(Special to The Farmer.) Stratford, Sept. 23. - The second and third rounds of the Peck-Morehouse primary battle here developed to-day, when Prosecutor Ivan L. More-Peck swapped a few verbal bouquets. Peck swapped a few verbal bouquets. and permanent loss of the use of one The second round was Morehouse's by hand," 156 weeks' compensation shall his masterly generalship in sticking be paid.

over these short, sharp jabs:

"Judge Peck never threatened to throw me out of his office, because the design of the commissioner decided he is entitled to \$5 per week for 113 weeks and I had threatened to arrest him for

"Moreover, I don't call on Judge place. I wasn't in his office on elec-tion day. In fact, I haven't been in of compensation claims. I wasn't in his office on elechis office since I made an investigation "The judge really was violating the Buckingham says:

election laws, but I didn't go into his "I don't even speak to the judge as

we pass on the street." At the end of Round Two, Prosecuseemed in good condition.

Peck opened and closed Round Three with the old "one-two" tactics wrapped up as follows: "The Farmer | printed the truth about what occurred in my office on

primary day." Both were sparring for time at the

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Steve Vortek, an employe of the poposing power of the thumb to the Bridgeport Brass Co., who was stabstump of the hand left after amputation of the four finsers, is not lost on the four finsers, is not lost on the four finsers, is not lost of the four finsers, is not lost on the four finsers, is not lost of the finsers for the finsers and finsers.

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STAR SHIRT CO. STRIKE ENDS IN EIGHT HOUR DAY

Employes Gain Many Concessions and Return To Work Today.

WORK IN NEW YORK HASTENS VICTORY

stalled Tactical Move of Factory Heads.

As a result of mutual concessions American expert. made by the strikers and the officials of the Star Shirt Manufacturing Co., the employes of that plant returned to work this morning. The eight hour day, revision of the

piece work prices and a modification

of the system of charges was granted by the company. A reduction in the cost of cotton was also made The Star Shirt Co. strikers have been out more than a month. The conditions under which they were working caused the labor organizers here to make scathing attacks on the superintendent, Thomas Purdy. Presidens William Mohan, however, arranged a meeting with several per-

voted to return.

sons representing the strikers and

work was begun last Tuesday revising

baarof, the girl who started the strike in this city, says she went will govern its naval operation to the offices of the company at 251 cordance with the German or the Fifth avenue and got a job. says she found several cutters and declares she caused the cutters to

strike. factory when the first strike was called crippled the work. According to Miss Sabaarof. cutters were doing work in New York to feed material

Salt's Textile Co. or the Siemon Hard Rubber Co. The officials of the American Graphophone Co. are working on the

plan to settle the strike there.

BUCKINGHAM RULES ON NEW QUESTION OF COMPENSATION

Loss of Four Fingers Does Captain John H. Redgate. Not Mean Total Loss of Use of Hand.

That the loss of four fingers does not onstitute the entire loss of the use of hand is the decision handed down Compensation Commissioner E. T. Buckingham today in the case of James DeVito of Stamford against the Atlantic Insulated Wire and Cable Co, of the same city. While employed in the factory of the company on May 26, DeVito's right hand was caught in rolling machine and so badly crushed that the amputation of four fingers

In his decision Compensation Commissioner Buckingham quotes the law to show that "for the loss of one hand at or above the wrist, or the complete

be reimbursed for hospital and surgismashing the election laws, as he told caf expense. He considers it just and necessary that \$472.09 be paid to De Vito at once in a lump sum. The delishes a precedent in the adjustment

In explaining who he does not con-

"The human hand is that portion of held together by muscles, tendons and ligaments. The nerves, arteries and veins, all being protected by heavy facia and skin, very close in texture, which results in more or less unity of action, and also affords protection to the parts beneath. The motor functions of the fingers are controlled by the tendons of the extensor and Cexer muscles, situated respectively on the abck and fore part of the lower arm.

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TEXT OF NEW NOTE ON FRYE CASE

Following is the text of the latest German note on the Frye ease, made public today at Washington:

ment of the damage by experts, the arbitral proceedings, has been caregovernment believes that it should dispense with nomination of an umpire. In the case of the ascertainment of its opinion, from proceeding against the German government and a neutral government from similar causes, the experts named by two parties have always reached an agreement as to the amount of damages without difficulty; should it not be possible, however, to could probably be settled by diplo-matic negotiation. Assuming that the American government agrees to this, the German government names as its expert, Dr. Kepny, of Bremen, director of the North German Lloyds; it begs to await the designation of the

"The German government declares that it agrees to the proposal of the American government to separate the question of indemnity from the question of the interpretation of the Prussian-American treaties of 1785, 1799 and 1828. It therefore again expressdoes not acknowledge the violations of the treaty, as contended by the American side, but it will admit that the settlement of the question of indemnity does not prejudice the arrange ment of the differences of opinior concerning the interpretation of the treaty rights, and that this dispute is left to be decided by The Hague tribunal of arbitration.

"The negotiations relative to the signing of a compromise provided by Article 52 of The Hague arbitration A meeting of the Star Shirt Co. em- convention would best be conducted ployes was held last night. They between the foreign office and the American embassy at Berlin, in view Superintendent Purdy wouldn't dis- of the difficulties in the way of incuss the settlement this afternoon. He structing the imperial ambassador at said he preferred to remain silent. Washington. In case the American It is understood that one of the government agrees, the foreign office things that hastened a settlement by is prepared to submit to the embassy

quiry whether German government American interpretation of the treaty | don.'

"With regard, first, to the ascertain- stipulations in question, pending the ernment. From the standpoint of law and equity, it is not prevented, in damages hitherto arranged between American ships carrying contraband according to its interpretation until the question is settled by arbitration

"For the German government does not need to depart from the application of generally recognized rules of each an agreement on some point it the law of maritime war, and the Declaration of London, unless and insofar as an exception based on In the case of the present differenc of opinion between the German and the American governments, such as exception could not be taken to be es tablished except on the ground disadvantages to Germany which ould ensue from the American interpretation of the treaty stipula tions would be so much greater as to be out of proportion to those which the German interpretation would entail, for the United States. For whereas the American interpretation would materially impede Germany in her conduct of warfare, hardly any particular disadvantage to American citizens would result from the German interpretation since they receive full reparation for any property dam age sustained.

"Nevertheless, the German government, in order to furnish to the American government evidence of its conciliatory attitude, has issued orders to the German naval forces not destroy American merchantmet which have loaded conditional contra band, even when the conditions of in ternational law are present, but permit them to cotinue their voyage unhindered if it is not possible to take them into port. On the other the company was an unexpected hap-pening in New York. Rose Sa- "The American government's in-right to destroy vessels carrying absolute contraband wherever such destruction is permissible according to provisions of the Declaration of Lon

preparatory work that enabled progress in the Bridgeport factory. She The cutters' quitting in the local HEAVILY FINED FOR REMAIN CLOSED IN IMPERSONATING COP

Arrested on Trolley Car By Police Captain.

Frank Ayres, of Scranton, Pa., has U. M. C. plant for the last seven draw bridges here need not be opened of Bridgeport' to prove it, too.

chest and naturally gloried more or The cool September breezelets play-

his badge of more or less authority sparkled in the sunlight. In fact, so ing the hours mentioned. sparkled in the sunlight. In fact, so dazzling was its brilliance that Captain Redgate shielded his eyes and Baltimore Pastor At made bold to inquire: "What's the badge, mister?"

"Special policeman's," responded Ayres, withdrawing his coat so that its refulgence was undimmed. I'm a guard at the Arms company plant. had marred its silvery beauty.

man of Bridgeport, No. 2426."

He knew there weren't 2,426 special church will hear him, cops in the city, even in the wildest dreams of Republican officials who have political debts to play. So the captain told Ayres he'd have to step over to the town lock-up, where a charge of "impersonating an officer" was placed against him.

In police court this morning, Judge Peck at his office or at any other cision is an important one and estab- Bartlett taxed Ayres \$29.60, which the avenue bridge with the Strauss type of the organizing committee, will call there of the Perry estate muddle sider that De Vito has lost the use of local shop, on order of the Arms com- day or Tuesday afternoon. He will nad been captured. pany's superintendent of guards. He also call a meeting for organization

ment as special policeman. *Ayres caused something of a stir in sions. the office of Clerk Clayton L. Smith. when he was counting \$29.60 out of his bank roll. He was saying hard Five Go To Prison things about the officials when he got a quiet tip to travel. He traveled. Further investigation of the use of 'special" badges by local plants will probably be made at once by the

Board of Police Commissioners. RAILROAD MAN BREAKS ANKLE BETWEEN TIES

Randall avenue.

to the strike breakers here.

No changes were recorded at the Frank Ayres of Scranton War Department Orders Them Kept Shut From 7:45 to 8 In Morning.

> Mayor Wilson today received notice been a guard at the Remington Arms- from the war department that the months. He had a nice shiny badge, between 7:45 and 8 o'clock on week proclaiming him a "special policeman day mornings. Alderman Cole tried for some time to have this rule made on an East Main street car this morn- when the bridges are open at this ing, and sitting near him was Police hour. Because the eight hour day has been virtually established in all fac- ing was greatly damaged. tories here, the war department offifully swept aside Ayres' coat lapel and cials consider that public necessity re-

Memorial Baptist Church Next Sunday

guard at the Arms company peant. You see, we have to keep our eye out for suspicious characters and arrest them if they get too inquisitive and try to get within the gates," he concluded as he gave the badge an affectionate rub where a bit of dust affectionate rub where a bit of dust marked and admirable acceptations, survivors were landed to-day. the most prominent of which is his The police captain read the inscrip- evangelistic spirit. He is eloquent in tion on the badge: "Special Police- the pulpit and upon the platform, and Swedish steamer Forsvik, 1,107 tons the belligerent as well as the neutral Swedish steamer Forsvik, 1,107 tons to be in the dark as to it is hoped that every member of the

Bridge Contract

The contract for the new Stratford young man paid and escaped a 30 day close leaf bascule will be signed next stay in the jall. He told the court week. Mayor Wilson will call a that he had purchased the badge at a meeting of the commission for Monstay in the jail. He told the court week. Mayor Wilson will call a that he had purchased the badge at a meeting of the commission for Monhadn't made application for appoint- of the East Washington avenue bridge and the Grand Street bridge commis-

From Hartford Court

Hartford, Sept. 23.-Four prisoners

were sentenced to prison by Judge Jo-

seph P. Tuttle in the criminal sup rior court today. They were: James Welsh, theft from persons, one to three years; John Kalcameskus of New Britain, assault with intent to rob, ed the benefit dance for the strikers of the Star Shirt Co. The dance was

Stratford to-morrow: Slightly warm
muscles, and long and short fexor muscles, and long and short flexor while walking across the trestle at while walking across the trestle at Dr. George E. Sleeper, who on V three' to five years; George Burgess, bigamy, one to three years; Stanley Steve Vortek, an employe of the ridgeport Brass Co., who was stab.

SAYS ORDERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN U-BOAT CAPTA TO PROTECT AMERICA

Washington, Sept. 23-Germany, in its latest note on the Frye case made public today, notifies the United States that orders have been issued to 'the German naval fordes not to destroy American treaty is established beyond all doubt. merchantmen which have loaded conditional contraband, even when the conditions of international law are present, but to permit them to continue the arbitral award. Moreover, the their voyage unhindered if it is not possible to take them into port."

Germany gave this assurance "in order to furnish to the American government evidence of its conciliatory attitude," while the question of interpreting the treaty of 1828 is submitted to arbitra-

The American suggestion for the naming of experts to fix the indefinity for the sinking of the Frye is accepted.

As for absolute contraband, such as arms and ammunition, Germany states in its note that "it must reserve to itself the right to destroy vessels carrying absolute contraband wherever such destruction is permissible according to the provisions. of the Declaration of London!"

Indemnity Expert Named Germany, in the note, announces its nomination of Dr. Kepny, of Bremen, as its expert in the determination of the indemnity to be paid for the sinking of the Frye.

The note also suggests that negotiations for the signing of the compromise be conducted through the American embassy at

BUSY 15 MINUTES AMERICAN CONSULATE IS HIT BY BOMB AS FRENCH AIRMEN RAID STUTTGART

Washington, Sept. 23-The American consulate at Stuttgart, Germany, was struck by a fragment of a bomb during the He wore the badge on his manly because he claims people on the East recent raid upon that place by French airmen, according to a less in his authority. He took a ride Side are frequently late for their work message today from Consul Higgins. He said no one in the consulate was injured, but did not indicate whether the build-

BY GERMAN U-BOATS have gained a minor success.

London, Sept. 23. - The Dutch steamer Koningen Emma, which yesterday struck a mine as she was on her way to Amsterdam from Batavia, Rev. Alonzo D. Winters of the Druid Thames to-day. The 250 passengers

Christiania, Norwaay, Sept. 23-The gross, was sunk on Sunday by a mine or a torpedo. Her crew was landed here to-day.

Germans Make Gains

Berlin, Sept. 23-The new German Signed Next Week offensive movement, with its object the capture of the important Russian fortified city of Dvinsk, has made de finite progress. The war office an primners and several machine guns

DVINSK IS OBJECTIVE OF GERMAN CAMPAIGN

London, Sept. 23 .- The strongly for tified Russian city of Dvinsk, on the Dvina, 110 miles southeast of Riga, the famous Plymouth church in Brookhas become the new German objective lyn, N. Y., and well known lecturer. now that the Russian armies apparently have escaped from the Vilna whose financial losses in Western lumber of the company of southeast of Lida are now making spread attention, will be a witness more rapid progress but their increas- when the naturalization terms of the ed speed at this time is expected to civil superior court begins here next gain them little in view of the fact Wednesday. Dr. Hillis will testify in that the safe retreat of the greater behalf of Rev. William Hamilton part of the Russian forces now seems Wood, a Ridgefild clergyman, who to be assured.

The chief success of the Germans of the last day or two has been along Ridgefield where he became acquaintes on a front of nearly two miles, ta- Mandville, Pa.

king 2,000 prisoners and eight muchine guns. Further down the river, Friedrichstadt, the Russians For the time being the domestic situation in Russia is quiescent. The strike in protest at the prorogation of the Duma has been suspended but may be revived if the government

persists in its opposition to the move

ment in favor of reassembling the

Mobilization of Bulgarian forces ontinues to excite keen interest but world seems to be in the dark as to the purpose which dictated this move-

PLYMOUTH CHURCK PASTOR WITNESS'IN LOCAL COURT CASE

Rev. Newall Dwight Hillis, Famed Lecturer, to Appear For Friend.

Rev. Newall Dwight Hillis, pastor of The German forces east and ber speculation have attracted widehas applied for citizenship papers.